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Dear Industrial Stormwater General Permit Holder:

New Permit Issued

The Industrial Stormwater NPDES and State Waste Discharge General Permit, issued by the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) on August 21, 2002, and reissued on August 15, 2007, expired on May 31, 2008. Ecology reissued this permit October 15, 2008, without changes, with an expiration date of April 30, 2009. Your facility, along with 1,100+ other facilities covered under the existing Industrial Stormwater General Permit, will be automatically covered under this reissued permit. Enclosed please find your new permit cover page and attach it to the front of your current permit.

You may request copies of the permit from Julie Robertson at (360) 407-6575 or by email at jrob461@ecy.wa.gov. In addition, you may download a copy from our website: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/industrial/index.html.

Public Notice Process and Comments

Ecology followed a formal public notice process to reissue the expired permit. The permit and fact sheet were available for review and public comment from August 6, 2008 through September 12, 2008. Ecology received written comments during the public comment period and responded to these comments in the fact sheet. The comments and the fact sheet may be reviewed at Ecology's website at:

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/industrial/index.html.

Purpose of the Permit

The permit provides coverage for industries located in Washington State that discharge stormwater associated with industrial activities. Under federal and state water quality law (Federal Clean Water Act and State Water Pollution Control Act) a permit is required for the discharge of wastewater. A discharge of stormwater associated with industrial activities is considered a discharge of wastewater.